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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF STATEMENT ISSUED EARLY THIS MORNING BY
"MILITARY SPOKESMAN" REPORTED REFTEL. BEGIN TEXT. A MILITARY
SPOKESMAN STATES THAT INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM
RELIABLE SOURCES IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE EFFECT
THAT THE AMERICAN CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (CIA) HAS REVEALED
THAT AMERICAN AND BRITISH COMMANDOS WILL BE PARACHUTING INTO
UGANDA AND MAKE A SURPRISE ATTACK ON UGANDA ANY TIME FROM NOW.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTS OUT THAT THE COMMANDOS ARE KNOWN

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TO BE COMING FROM THE DIRECTION OF KENYA AND SOME OF THEM HAVE

BEEN SPOTTED IN CIVILIAN DRESS IN KENYA AND THAT THE UGANDA GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN WARNED TO BE PREPARED FOR ANY ATTACK FROM AMERICAN AND BRITISH COMMANDOS.

THIS INFORMATION, SAID THE SPOKESMAN, HAS BEEN PROVED TO BE TRUE THAT A COMBINED FORCE OF AMERICAN, ISRAELI AND BRITISH COMMANDOS ARE TO LAND IN KENYA AND REFUEL WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE KENYA GOVERNMENT.

THE SPOKESMAN CONTINUED THAT THE UGANDA TROOPS HAVE BEEN WARNED TO BE ON THE LOOK OUT. ANY STRANGE TROOP MOVEMENT BY ROAD MUST BE CHECKED IMMEDIATELY AND ANY AIRCRAFT FLYING INTO UGANDA OR OVER-FLYING UGANDA WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE UGANDA GOVERNMENT WILL BE INTERCEPTED BY THE FIGHTER SQUADRON AND SHOT DOWN.

COMMENTING ON THE INFORMATION, PRESIDENT AMIN SAID UGANDA IS FULLY ALERT AND CAPABLE OF CRUSHING THE ENEMY WITHOUT OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE FROM ANY COUNTRY. HE DOES NOT, THEREFORE, NEED ANY REINFORCEMENT FROM ANY COUNTRY IN AFRICA OR ARAB WORLD. UGANDA IS PREPARED FOR ANY SURPRISE ATTACK.

THE PRESIDENT CONTINUED THAT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY FORCES ON LEAVE SHOULD GO ON WITH THEIR LEAVE AND THE WHOLE PUBLIC SHOULD CONTINUE WITH THEIR NORMAL DUTIES, AND SHOULD NOT WORRY AT ALL - REPEAT NOT WORRY AT ALL.

ANY MERCENARIES OR ANY AMERICAN OR BRITISH CITIZENS GOING AROUND UGANDA WITHOUT IDENTITY CARDS SHOULD BE ARRESTED AND TAKEN TO THE MILITARY CUSTODY AND NOT POLICE CUSTODY.

THE PRESIDENT CONCLUDES THAT THIS INFORMATION SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN LIGHTLY, BECAUSE THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS REVEALED IT AFTER MAKING THOROUGH ASSESSMENT OF THE AMERICAN AND ISRAEL ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE UGANDA GOVERNMENT. ALREADY TWO PERSONS KNOWN TO BE FROM RHODESIA HAVE BEEN ARRESTED BY THE MILITARY INTELLIGENCE. END TEXT.

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